

# Progress of the Annual Strategic Priorities of the Safer New Forest Partnership

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# Main points for consideration



## **SAFER NEW FOREST ANNUAL STRATEGIC PRIORITIES**

- Priorities are identified by the Safer New Forest Partnership from data and information provided within the annual strategic assessment.
- As a collective partner agencies are responsible for the development of priorities, identifying resources and a strategy for the delivery of the actions throughout the year.
- The strategy group review progress of each priority area throughout the year with the Partnership Action Group (PAG) meeting monthly for operational oversight.
- 2025/26 Partnership Plan is published on the Safer New Forest website. The priorities identified through the Strategic Assessment are:
  - Domestic Abuse including Violence against Women & Girls (VAWG)
  - Possession of Weapons/Serious Violence
  - Shoplifting & Burglary (Business and Community)

# Implications/Issues to consider



- The Partnership Plan runs from 1st April 2025 to 31st March 2026
- The partnership continues to distribute DNA marking kits to neighbourhoods where there is evidence of dwelling burglaries (including outbuildings). Over 190 kits given out this year to targeted properties
- 163 bikes have been uniquely marked this year and added to the national bike register
- To support retailers and businesses the partnership launched UKPAC rollout across the New Forest area and held a crime prevention event in July with over 200 retail establishments approached
- 38 nominals/hotspots have been discussed, and reviewed, at Partnership Action Group (PAG) meetings
- 17 attendees from education, youth services and community safety, participated in NFDC 3-day weapons prevention training programme, in order to equip with the skills to support young people in making positive choices

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## **Community Engagement Events**

- 8 community engagement events have been held across the district.
- These provide an opportunity for members of the public to undertake a crime and disorder survey, alongside crime prevention information being available.
- 472 surveys completed
- 99.4% surveyed were either satisfied or very satisfied living and visiting the New Forest
- 98.9% surveyed feel safe or fairly safe within the district during the day with 89.9% feeling very safe or fairly safe during the evening
- 6.6% surveyed were affected by anti-social behaviour (speeding, parking, e-scooter concerns)